Sean Thomas Dixon



Experience

Riverkeeper, Senior Attorney

February 2014 - Present

- Primarily responsible for Riverkeeper's New York City and New York-New Jersey Harbor & Estuary work.
- Substantive work focuses on clean water enforcement, stormwater control, climate change adaptation planning, pollution abatement, ecosystem restoration, and watershed management.
- Significant experience in community engagement, environmental education, and citizen science, as well as local, state, and federal administrative practice, legislative coordination, environmental litigation.
- Directly manage full-time staff working on New York City initiatives, and supervise contractors and campaign staff working on a number of programs ranging from sustainable development to stormwater innovation.
- Broad expertise in coastal, marine, and water resources; portfolio also includes work on contaminated site remediation, habitat conservation, energy policy, endangered species, and water quality.

Village Fishmonger LLC, Co-Founder

October 2011 – August 2016

- Founder of Village Fishmonger NYC, a community supported fishery and local seafood initiative.
- Responsible for advocacy in the sustainable seafood sector, including coordination with local fisheries and fishermen, wholesalers, restaurants, retail markets, ocean advocates, legislators, and fishery agencies.
- Co-Creator and program lead for "Sustainable Seafood Week," a nationwide weeklong educational seafood celebration in NYC (2013 2015), and in Seattle, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C. (2015).

Clean Ocean Action, Coastal Policy Attorney

June 2010 – January 2014

- Responsible for substantive and strategic management of cases and campaigns on clean water, coastal zone, and offshore energy issues; reporting to, and working closely with, the organization's Executive Director.
- Led coastal conservation initiatives, Superstorm Sandy response and resiliency programs, and offshore energy and pollution prevention work; created and executed special campaigns and programs.
- Worked alongside and coordinated with New York and New Jersey Congressional delegations, state and local agencies and legislatures, as well as business, industry, and regional citizen advocates.

Pace Law School, Adjunct Professor of Law ("Oceans & Coastal Law")
Clarkson University, Adjunct Professor ("Environmental Law & Policy")
Yale University, Lecturer ("Ocean Policy", "Marine Resources")

January 2015 – Present June 2016 – June 2017 January 2009 – June 2010

Education & Leadership

Pace Law School, Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Climate Change Law

May 2010

- LL.M. Research, Climate Change Effects on Coastal Zones and Fishery Management

Yale University, Master of Environmental Management (M.E.M.)

May 2009

- Master's Research, Aquatic and Coastal Resource Management in an Era of Climate Change
- Delegate, 2008 IUCN World Conservation Congress, Barcelona, Spain

Pace Law School, Juris Doctor (J.D.) cum laude, Certificate in Environmental Law

May 2009

- Admitted to the New York State Bar (2010)
- Observer, 2007 International Whaling Commission Meeting, Anchorage, Alaska

Boston University, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) cum laude

May 2004

- Double Major, Earth Sciences & Marine Biology; Varsity Men's Rowing (2000 2004)
- Field Research, Ecuadorian Amazon, Galapagos, Marine Biological Laboratory (Woods Hole, MA)

Membership Officer, ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources (2017 – Present)

Co-Chair, NY-NJ Harbor Estuary Program, Citizens Advisory Committee (2016 – Present)

Senior Fellow, Environmental Leadership Program (2011 - Present)

Program Chair, ABA SEER 43rd Annual Conference on Environmental Law, Salt Lake City, Utah (March, 2014)

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